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PRICE

### MASCAGNI ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLEMENT

Famous Composer Charged With Appropriating \$5,000 Bellinging to Manager, Richard Heard.

ESCAPES ARREST IN HOTEL.

House Detectives Eject From the Fullding the Constable Who Virtupts to Place Him in Custody.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Chicago Dec 21 - Pietro Mascagni, the Ballan musician, known to fame us the composer of "Cavalleria Rusticana" and operas, must now defend himself of the charge of embezzlement in a Chicago Justice Court.

Warrants charging him with appropriating and hobitag \$5,000 belonging to his manager. Richard Heard, whom he attempted to discharge, were served upon him at 11:30 to-night in his rooms at the Auditorium An-

Daniel McCarthy, the Constable who served the paper, was about to place the composer in custody despite the protests of the Italian Consul, Court Rozwadowski, with whom Mascagni was dining, when em-Moves of the note intervened.

Two house delectives informed the Constable that he could not enter rooms in the

otel without receiving permission from the

The Constable asserted his authority as an officer of Justice Underwood's court, when the detectives selzed him unceremontcusiy and ejected him from the room. Thereupon Manager Heard, his attorney. George R. Hicks, and the Constable notified the hotel management that they would be held responsible for the custody of the fa-mous composer and left the hotel.

The warrants for the arcest of Mascagni were sworn out in the afternoon by Manager Heard, whom Mascagni attempted to discharge. Heard claimed he had a contract with the composer which did not ex-pire until February 1: He learned, how-ever, that negotiations were being conducted by Manager Joseph Smith of the Liebler Opera Company to bring Mascagni under the management of Mittenthai Bros., who had charge of the Italian composer's Amer-ican tour up to the time of his financial embarrassments in Boston. CONSTABLES STRATEGY.

This information alarmed Manager Heard and he immediately took steps to secure \$5. 600 which he declares Mascagni had re-ceived from him. This sum he averred had been hald over to the composer to defray the expenses of the opera company.

Manager Heard asserts that the sum was not used for the purpose intended, and that he had reason to believe that Mascagni intended to keep the money.

Heard had reached the hotel, and the Constable found that Mascagni was barricaded in his rooms. Hotel employes had been warned not to admit any one to the corrider in which the rooms were located, and it was only by a ruse that the Constable was able to reach the composer's room. the mission of the intruder, the Constable began to read his warrant, Count Rozwadowski endeavored to per

sunds the Constable and Manager Heard to accept bail at the hotel, but they would not listen to his entreaties.

Constable McCarrhy was about to place Mascagni under arrest and take him by force to Justice Underwood's court, when the two house detectives, who had been notified of the arrival of the Constable, ap-

#### OFFICER'S SON ENTERS ARMY AS "TROOPER LOCKETT."

Aspiring Youth Prefers to Work Up From the Ranks to the West Point Entry.

James M. Lockett, son of Captain James Leckett, commander of Troop I, Fourth Cavalry, now stationed at Jefferson Barracks, desiring to follow his father in ar army life, prefers the distinction of working up from the ranks to the West Point entry. Accordingly he has enlisted in his father's troop and has set himself to work for a commission.

To take this step he resigned a cadetship at West Point. He reached the barracks from West Point yesterday and to-day will draw his uniform and other accouterment and will settle down to work as a cavalry treoper. He thinks that he will outstrip his former classmates at the military school and receive his commission fully two years sooner than if he had stuck to the usua

Young Lockett is but 19 years old, and is a genuine son of the army. It is said of him that so far as a soldier's practical knowledge is concerned he now knows more years' service in the ranks will make him eligible to take the examinations for a commussion. If he secures the necessary percentage he will receive his commission as

In many ways the young man will have what many would think a "hard road to He will be subject to every privation and every requirement of army discipline. He must curry his own horse daily and pernot abash or discourage him.

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His course was approved by hir father.

who thinks that service as a private is excellent preparation for greater responsibiliy. He is satisfied with his son's step. Trooper Lockett was appointed a cadet at large to West Point by President Roosevelt last summer. He has spent four months in the freshman class of the college.

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Captain Lockett would not consent to his non enlisting in his parent's troop, but he expects to leave his command in a short time, as he is sinted for promotion to the rank of Major.
Young James Lockett comes of a prominent Georgia family, noted for its military men for several generations. His father was one of the first Southerners appointed to West Point after the close of the Civil

FUEL SHORTAGE IN KANSAS.

Topeka, Kas., Dec. 26.-The coldest weather of the winter has prevailed in Kansas for two days past, and it shows no sign of moderating. People in some western counties are being put to great inconvenience on account of the coal famine.

Cattle are not suffering to any extent, there being no snow on the ground and feed being more than usually abundant. SUFFERING IN 16WA.

Des Moines, Dec. 26.—The cold weather record for the season was broken this morning, when the official report snowed 7 degrees below zero. This is the coldest day of the year. A high wind has prevailed and much suffering has been reported owing to the extreme searcity of fuel.

At Sioux City it was 15 degrees below zero this morning, but moderated slightly toward hoon. COLD IN THE SOUTH.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 26.—The coldest weather of the winter is reported to-day from many places south of the Ohlo River. The temperatures reported range from six degrees above at Evensville, Ind., to forty-

## ANNAPOLIS COACH FOR NEXT YEAR MAN'S BODY SEVERED ACTRESS WHO DROVE PRINCESS



A. G. CAFFED. Son of W. K. Caffee of Carthage, Mo. He was recently appointed coach for the Annapo

DENMARK'S CAPITAL

and Ships Are Sunk in

Outer Harbor.

Streets Rendered Unsafe by Fly-

ing Tiles From Ruined Roofs-

Enormous Damage Is Re-

ported From Provinces.

Copenhagen, Dec. 25.-The worst gale of

unsafe to walk the streets of Copenhagen,

many sustained injuries in the city.

Some streets were closed to traffic to

The pillars holding up the overhead trol-

Several ships dragged their anchors and

collided and were sunk in the outer harbor. The ferry service between the Danish

Islands and Sweden has been forced to

and lightning. Telegrams received here from the Provinces report enormous dam-

age to property throughout Denmark

nd eight persons were drowned.

VICTIMS OF BAD FREIGHT

The gale was accompanied by thunder

Eleven men of the crew, including Can-

ain Tobiasen, were drowned in the wreck

of the Norwegian bark G. S. Penry, which

went ashore at Scaw. The Penry will be a total wreck and her cargo is washing

shore. Only one of her crew was saved

There was also a severe gale in the south

WRECK MAY NUMBER THIRTY.

Fourteen Coal Miners, Going Home

for Holidays in Box Car, Buried

Under Tons of Debris.

Trinidad, Colo., Dec. 26 .- A coal miner

from north of Trinidad, who was taken

out of the debris of the Colorado and South-

ern freight wreck north of Trinidad last

night, and died a short time after,

said just before expiring that there

were fourteen coal miners besides himself

Thermometer Registered 5 Above

Zero Yesterday Morning.

it was the coldest day of the season yes-terday. At 6 o'clock in the morning the

thermometer registered 5 degrees above

zero. There was a steady, persistent wind

throughout the day, which nipped the ears

the day appear colder than it was. As the

day advanced and the sun shone steadily

dicts a rising temperature for to-day.

The official readings of the thermometer

for the twenty-four hours ending at mid

\* MORGAN PROMISES COAL

has been settled out of court.

2 TO TENANT WHO SUED HIM. 2

against J. P. Morgan brought by

♦ Harry Nevelson for the alleged fail- ♦ ure of the financier to provide heat in ♦

• an apartment leased by Nevelson •

Mr. Morgan's agents promised that there would be an ample supply of

New York, Dec. 26,-The suit ◆

night last night were:

### WILL KITE SOLVE **AERIALN AVIGATION?**

Alexander Graham Bell Now Is Several Persons Killed in the City Working on a New

TESTS SUCCESSFUL. MANY SAILORS ARE DROWNED.

Explains the General Principle of the Idea on Which He Is Working, but Withholds Details.

Washington, Dec. 25.-Doctor Alexander Graham Bell, who has just returned to many years visited Denmark Christmas Washington from his summer home in Cape night, and this morning, and has done Breton Island, to-night made the following | enormous damage to property and shipping. statement in connection with reports that | The telegraphic and railroad services have appeared in the public prints that he have been interrupted and delayed. It is has invented a flying machine;

"The newspapers have been premature in owing to falling tiles. announcing that I have been at work upon d flying machine. I haven't any flying ma- avert this danger. The hospital reports chine at all and have not been trying to show that several persons were killed and make one.

"I am, of course, interested in the problem and have come to the conclusion that a ley wires were blown down and the street properly constructed flying machine should car service was stopped. Many houses have be capable of being flown as a kite if an- been unroofed and some mills and factories chored to the ground, and that conversely a have been partly destroyed, properly constructed kite should be capable. The water in the Sound rose suddenly of use as a flying machine if provided with nearly as high as it did in the great flood of

suitable means of propulsion. "My experiments have had as their object the building of a kite of solld construction capable of carrying up in a moderate breeze a weight equivalent to that of a man and engine and so formed that it could be suitable for use as the body of a flying machine. and with supporting surfaces so arranged that when the kite is cut loose it will come down gently and steadily and land uninfured. I have successfully accomplished this, but don't care at the present time to make public the details of construction."

#### STEALS MOTHER'S WEDDING RING TO BUY A LICENSE.

Minneapolis Youth Is Married at St. Paul and Police Are Now Looking for Him and His Bride.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 26.-Stealing his mother's wedding ring and pawning it in order to secure sufficient money to pay the expenses of his marriage, Patrick Faltice, 16 years old, of Minneapolis, ran away from home and was married in this city last evening to Mary Casey. In securing a license here the boy swore that his bride and himself were of age.

Accompanying the pair was another youth of the same age named Rudolph Boernar, who secured a license to marry May White. Court Commission Callick performed the Gouble ceremony. To-day the parents of the boys are searching for them, and have enlisted the aid of the police authorities, but no trace of them has been found.

Were fourteen coal miners besides himself in the car in which he was riding and which was smashed to splinters.

The ruins of this car still remain under tons of wreckage. All the men in it must have perished.

It is now estimated that the number of

#### FOUR PERSONS PROZEN TO DEATH IN PENNSYLVANIA. &

◆ REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 26.-The cold . weather of the last twenty-four hou s & has caused the death of four persons.

Matthew Zinnett, gardener for O. . . H. Darlington, found frozen to death . • near his home, Sharpsburg. James H. Coates of No. 276 Wall & street, found dead in the snow last . o night; had left home to go to work o

at the Garrison foundry. . Philip Sohn, aged 50 years, found .

#### 18 Want Help To-Day.

The Republic of today contains the following ads for "Help": Housework. 42 | Barbers - . . . . . . . 15 

Your ad for Help, or for a Situation, in The Republic will . be read all over St. Louis and the Great Southwest. And it will bring the right kind of

Cooks ..... II Miscellaneous .... 74

## BY CASS AVENUE CAR

Victim, Who Is Supposed to Be Antony Schmidt, Was Killed at Seventh and Franklin Ave.

#### LARGE CROWD SAW ACCIDENT.

Car Was Going Slow and Many of the Witnesses Blamed the Motorman, Who Was Released by the Police.

In full view of several hundred persons a man supposed to be Antony Schmidt was literally cut in two by a Cass avenue car yesterday evening at the corner of Seventh street and Franklin avenue.

At the time of the accident the car was going slowly and many of those who witnessed the killing denounced the motorman and gave their names to the police in case

accident happened shortly after 6 o'clock. The car, going north, had stopped at the northeast corner to take on passengers and had started slowly when Schmidt attempted to board it at the front platform. The platform was crowded. Schmidt grabbed the front hand rail, but before he could draw himself aboard the car his foot SWEPT BY STORM slipped and he swung in front of the dash board and fell upon the track.

Several passengers on the front platform shouted to the motorman to apply the brakes, but it was not until the wheels of the front trucks had passed over the body that the car was stopped. FALLS ON FENDER.

Many of those who witnessed the accident say that Schmidt struck the fender as he fell, and had the car been stopped at once the man would not have been killed. Patrolmen Kaplan and Aylward of the Fourth District quickly arrived at the scene and removed the body from beneath the car. Both legs and one arm were severed by the wheels. After sending the body to the morgue, the motorman and conductor were placed under arrest, but released later. When the clothing of the dead man was

searched at the morgue a pay envelope from the Fruin-Bambrick Construction Company, with the name of Anthony Schmidt upon it, was the only means of identification. Among his other effects was a pocket Bible and 19 in currency. The car was in charge of Motorman Will-

iam P. Werry of No. 2816 North Spring avenue and Conductor Samuel Bateman of No. 5715 Maffitt avenue.

#### MRS. DOCKERY MUCH BETTER. Now Has Fair Chance of Recovery, Though Not Out of Danger.

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 25.-Mrs. Dockery continued to improve to-day and now stands a fair chance of recovery.

The gloom which seemed to settle about the Executive Mansion during the holiday season has lifted some and to-day Governapitol to look after his official business. Mrs. Dockery is not out of danger, how-ver, and every precaution is being taken

### LEADING TOPICS \* \* IN s. s. TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 18 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 4:46. THE MOON RISES TO-MORROW MORNING AT 6:02.

GRAIN CLOSED YESTERDAY: St LOUIS-DEC. WHEAT 72c ASKED; MAY WHEAT 76% BID; DEC. CORN ASKED; MAY CORN 39150 BID. CHICAGO -DEC. WHEAT 74%c; MAY WHEAT 77%c BID; DEC. CORN 454c; MAY CORN 43c

#### WEATHER INDICATIONS. For St. Louis and Vicinity-General-

ly fair and warmer. For Missouri-Fair Saturday; not so cold in west. Sunday, fair; warmer. For Illinois-Fair Saturday; warmer in north. Sunday, fair; warmer.

For Ackansas-Fair; continued cold Saturday. Sunday, fair; warmer. For East Texas-Fair Saturday warmer in northwest. Sunday, fair. For West Texas-Fair Saturday warmer in north. Sunday, fair.

#### dead will reach from twenty-nve to thirty. All of the men in the wrecked car were going to Trinidal to spend Christmas. They I. Muscagni Accused of Embezzlement. came from coal mining camps Roosevelt's Idea Adopted. Chamberlain begins blission of Peace. COLDEST DAY OF THE SEASON. Posed As Governor Beckham,

. Book News and Gossip.

2 Missouri Educators in Annual Session Chamberlain Begins Mission of Peace. Will Reopen Ballot Boxes Next Monday. Opposition to Farris United Upon Rubey.

. Eastern Horsemen's Killing on Potente. General Puginstic Gossip, Bowing Results. Strikers' Delegation Goes East.

Dun's and Bradstreet's Weekly Trade Review. East Side News . Editorial.

Christmas Celebrants in the Police Charge Broke Her Heart. Shot at His Wedding Ball.

& C. T. F. Bitter Gets Ruckstahl's Place. Tried to Soive Weird Conspiracy. 9. Founder of Salvation Army to Speak at

Olympic Theater. Trip to Gay Paris Under and Over Sea 10. Republic "Want" Advertisements.

Rich Marriage and Death Records New Corporations. II. Rooms for Rent and Real Estate Ads. River News and Personals. Weather Bulletin.

Wall Street Surprisingly Buoyant. Chicago Grain Market. Weekly Bank Statement. 13. Local Grains Slightly Higher. Summary of St. Louis Markets.

Of Interest to Women. 14. Actor Will Sue Texas Hotel.

# FROM THE COURT OF SAXONY.



FRAULEIN BASTE whom the Crown Prince of Saxony lavished so much attention that it led to one of the greatest court scandals which has stirred Europe in recent years.

## ROOSEVELT'S IDEA ADOPTED IN VENEZUELAN QUARREL.

Allies and Castro's Government All Agree to Submit Their Differences to The Hagne Tribunal-Understanding Is That the Blockade Will Be Raised, Though This Has Not Yet Been Arranged, and That Some Money Must Be Paid in Advance of Actual Arbitration.

#### MONROE DOCTRINE NOT INVOLVED UNLESS VENEZUELA WISHES

Washington, Dec. 26.-President Roosevelt | be r. erred all the claims of native citizens will not be the arbitrator of the Venezue- as well as foreign subjects settled in Venelan controversy.

The whole vexatious subject will be referred for adjudication to The Hague tri-

Cabinet meeting to-day, The meeting was not so long as the sesdons usually are. All the members excen

Secretary Root were present. The Venezuelan question was the principal and practically the only topic of general concern under consideration. Secretary Hay presented the net results of his cable correspondence with the Governments tained several awards, and our Government at London, Berlin, Rome and Caracas.

In accordance with the suggestion made by President Roosevelt, through Secretary Hay, President Castro was reported to have agreed to submit the differences to the arbitration of the tribunal at The Hague, ALLIES SUBMIT.

The European Powers not only consent to submit the controversy to arbitration, but, while they had expressed a preference for an arbitration to be conducted by President Roosevelt, they had assented to his suggestion that the matter be referred to The

The presentation of the case met the hearty approval of the Cabinet. No fear is expressed by the administration that the Monroe Doctrine will be

brought into the controversy in any manner that might result in embarrassment for the United States. At the same time, it is acknowledged, quite unofficially, that Venezuela could cre-

ate an awkward situation if it should offer a coaling station in settlement of German or British claims. This would necessarily evoke a protest from the United States, as an infringement of the Monroe Doctrine. Whether The Hague tribunal would be ready to acknowledge the weight of the United States's arguments on this point is certainly problematical.

Secretary Hay is preparing a note to the Powers in which the gratification of this Government is expressed for the course CONDITIONS WITHHELD.

No intimation is given of the conditions ropean Powers or by President Castro precedent to the arbitration.

It is known that Great Britain was willof President Roosevelt, practically without suggestion, but the suggestion is made that one, and perhaps two, other Powers invoived have some matters which might have proven embarrassing to the President had he undertaken the responsibility of determining the question.

pass, but it also is known that the amount of cash to be required of Venezuela before arbitration is not nearly so large as has been stated. It is not possible to learn either whether

It is understood that some money must

and while it is assumed that the blockade will be speedily raised, no arrangement to that end has yet been made. VENEZUELAN DIPLOMAT

**EXPLAINS HIS VIEW OF** QUESTIONS AT ISSUE. BY AUGUSTO F. PULIDO.

Charge d'Affaires Venezuelau Legation.

To the Editor of The Republic. Washington, Dec. 26.-The comments made by a small party of the American press in reference to the present conflict between Venezuela and some of the leading European countries oblige me to request the courtesy of your important paper to put the

matter in the proper light. It seems to me that there is a general misunderstanding about the real reasons of the unjust aggression against my country headed by Germany and Great Britain. In reality, Venezuela has never repudiated her obligations to foreign creditors nor ignored the claims of foreign Powers on be-

12. Mississippi Valley Leads Local Security half of their subjects on account of alleged damages suffered by them under the necessary hardships which accompany a state of internal war.

In the memorandum circulated by the Minister of Foreign Relations to the friendly nations under date of August 12 last the cettion of Venezuela was very clearly set

zuela before appealing to diplomatic re-Germany and Great Britain absolutely disregard this provision of our internal con-Epitomized, this was the situation as it stitution, and they contend that the Govhad resolved itself at the conclusion of the ernment should accept their claims at once without having applied to the courts of the country to refires their alleged grievances. The contention that the tribunals of Ven

ezuela do not offer a sufficient guaranty of impartiality is absolutely without foundation. Many German subjects, by following the regular course of proceedings and sub mitting themselves to our laws, have obhas paid them their just claims or recognized them.

CASES ARE CITED. I may quote for instance the names of Messrs. Steinworth & Co., Brewer Moller & Co., Van Dissel & Co., of San Cristobal A. Ermen & Co. of Puerto Cabello, Beck mann & Co., Becker, Brun & Co.; M. Frey, R. and O. Kolster, Lesseur, Romer

Baasch; Marcus & Co. Besides this aspect of the question, there against Venezuela the pretension of the foreign Powers to compel the payment of debts of a public character, such as those resulting from public loans (foreign loans)

guarantees of railroad interests, etc. In reference to this matter, I must en phatically declare that my Government has never intended the repudiation of these obligations which my country would have had enough resources to meet if the last unfortunate disturbances had not obliged the Government to supply all the revenues of the State to the re-establishment of public peace. As soon as a normal condition of affairs prevails Venezuela will gladly meet her obligations with a just regard to all the parties concerned

DOCTRINE SET FORTH In fact, Venezuela stands only by the doc trine accepted and recommended by the delegates of the second Pan-American Conference in Mexico, in accordance with which "whenever an alien shall have claims or complaints of a civil, criminal or administrative nature against a State or its citizens, he shall present his claims to the competent court of the country, and such claims which may have been imposed by the Eu- shall not be made through diplomatic channels, except in the cases where there shall have been on the part of the court a manifest denial of justice or unusual delay or ing to submit the subject to the arbitration | evident violation of the principles of international law."

This doctrine has always been accepted under the law of nations, as well as that which does not allow a foreign Power to compel by force of arms the payment of debts of a public character. I will not intrude on your valuable space by quoting many authorities about this matter. Allow me only to reproduce the words of Mr Clay, Secretary of State, in a communica tion to Mr. Marguil dated March 28, 1897; "The general rule is that foreigners are bound to apply to the tribunals of justice the ailies insist on apologies from Castro, if they are open, for redress of any grievance before they appeal for it to the Gov-

> Before closing, permit me to quote the jeclaration made by the Minister of Foreign Relations of Venezuela in his reply to the ultimatum of Germany, under date of December 9, as follows:

ernment of those tribunals."

"If the claims referred to are just, the Federal Executive declares beforehand that those claims will be considered and decided in a fair way; and inasmuch as the commission to which, by our laws, they must be submitted, is already sitting, the procedure will not be delayed and will not depart from the requirements of the law."

#### **ENGLAND NOW FEARS** LONG DELAY AND AN UNCERTAIN OUTCOME.

London, Dec. 27 .- Except by the oppon ents of the Government, who view it as a virtual defeat and as discrediting the ministry, the latest phase of the Venezuelan trouble has been welcomed very luke-

Arbitration by President Roosevelt had been anticipated as so desfrable an issue from a difficult estuation that his refusal. which is regarded as final, has caused keen disappointment

It is foreseen that if satisfactory conditions to the submission of the disputes to The Hague court can be arranged, this method will entail endless and wearisome details, with no assurance that at the end

## **BOLD IMPERSONATOR** AMAZES SOCIETY

Man Who Posed as Governor Beckham at Miami, Fla., a

Received One Apparently From President Roosevelt and Sent One Reprieving a Prisoner-How He Was Discovered.

Miami, Fla., Dec. 26.-The arrest here yes. terday of a man who refuses to disclose his identity for masquerading as Governor Beckham and getting money under false pretense is the sensation of the winter realdents. The impostor arrived here on December 20 and registered at the Palm Hotel

as J. C. W. Beckham, Frankfort, Ky. Almost everything in sight was his, so pleased were the people with the gilltongued stranger. Real estate men introduced themselves to show him about, and he spoke very decidedly of purchasing a winter home here two blocks from one of Mr. Flagler's houses.

He is evidently a Kentuckian, as he was very familiar with Governor Beckham's ways, his family, etc., and his knowledge of this aided him in his deception. It is not known how much money he secured on checks cashed. Telegrams were received from various Kentucky points to-lay making inquiry, but none gave any clew to his

FROM PRESIDENT. The day after his arrival the following telegram was received by him and defivered

by the messenger boy; "White House, Washington, D. C., Dec. 23. -Hon. J. C. Beckham, Miami, Fin.: Your telegram received. The President will be pleased to see you Saturday next at 10 a. GEORGE B. CORTELYOU,

The man used this to good advantage. After this he was more of a lion than ever and seemed greatly pleased at the attention that was shown him.

Four days ago he sent the fellowing mes-Miami, Fla., Dec. 22, 1902.-Peck Jackson, Sheriff, Clinton, Ky .: I commute the sentence of James Kelly to life imprisonment.

Official papers in the mail. "J. C. W. BECKHAM, Governor." Soon the news spread that the Governor had sent the message commuting the life sentence of Kelly. However, there was a feeling in many quarters that there was

something wrong.

A'ter sending the message comm death sentence the man secured a carringe and invited some of his new-made friends to drive with him to Cocoanut Grove, which they did. Arriving there, they put up at the Peacock Inn. After the party left, the following message from Clinton, Ky., was

received by Manager McDonald: "Yours to Peck Jackson undelivered. Party unknown here." When the impostor left the hotel he instructed Mr. Muller to open any telegrams that might come for him. On the arrival of

the reply Mr. Muller opened it. The contents confirmed Mr. Muller's susplelons, and he went immediately and swore out a warrant for the man's arrest, charging him with obtaining money under false

This was placed in the hands of the Sheriff, who drove to Coccanut Grove to find his man. He found him in the parlor of the inn engaged in playing whist. He was greatly surprised, he explained, that the Governor of Kentucky should meet with such treatment in Florida. He submitted to the demands of the law and was placed in

BECKHAM IN KENTUCKY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Louisville, Ky., Dec. 25.-Governor Beckham spent Christmas day with Mrs. Beckham's parents, at Owensboro, and knows nothing of the man who has been masquerading under his name at Miami, Fia. t was said here to-day that Governor Beckham had been out of the State but once since his election, and that was when he attended the horse show at Nashville, Tenn. He was absent then only one day.

### MUCH COLD AND LITTLE COAL.

Zero Weather Was Common in Several States Yesterday.

The cold weather of Christmas Day conthreed through the Central Mississippi Valley States yesterday. Zero and below zero temperatures were reported from many, towns in Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Iowa. and Nebraska, while south of the Ohio River the temperatures reported ranged from 6 degrees above zero at Evansville, Ind., to 46 at Galveston, Tex., and 48 at Corpus Christi, Tex.

Hutchinson, Kas., reported the coldest weather in years, the thermometer registering 5 and 6 degrees below zero, while all along the Missouri Pacific route in Kansas the mercury hovered near the zero mark. At Lincoln, Neb., the reading was 8 degrees below zero yesterday morning, but over the State it was not so cold by 2 or 3

The cold weather record for the season was broken at Des Moines, where the official thermometer showed 7 below. The Twin Cities of Minnesota experienced the most severe weather of the season, the

degrees.

thermometer registering 19 below in St. Paul and Minneapolis. Throughout Ohio and Indiana snow fell during most of the day, drifting high upon

the rallroad tracks and causing uslay in Conditions in Missouri and Western Illinois were almost identical, the weather be-

ing clear, cold and dry. Much inconvenience and some suffering was reported from all States, on account of the general scarcity of fuel. At Mexico, Mo, conditions approximated a famine, there being no more coal for

sale in any of the yards in the city. ZERO AT KANSAS CITY. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 28.-The temperaure dropped to zero this morning, making this the coldest day of the season. A raw, biting wind prevails.

#### **FUGITIVE PRINCESS** MAY COME TO AMERICA.

Vienna, Dec. 26.-It is reported here on good authority that Prince Ferdinarid and the Crown Princess of Saxony and their companions purpose coing to the United States, their be-

# Remarkable Impostor. TELEGRAMS HELPED SCHEME.